

I support media diversity

I am writing to you today to comment on Docket No. 02-277, The Biennial Review of the FCC's broadcast media ownership rules. How changing the current rules will expand the public's access to diverse viewpoints escapes me. We have already seen in the reporting of the War in Iraq that such diversity is already limited.

I also object to the fact that a fair and open public airing of the proposed changes has not taken place. Questions of the negative effect of rule changes have not only not been answered, but have yet to be addressed. As an American I want and deserve better than the process has thus produced.

I, therefore, urge that in addition to the official hearing on this matter in Richmond, VA, the FCC hold additional hearings elsewhere around the nation to solicit the widest possible participation from the public which will be the most directly affected by the outcomes of these decisions. I think it is important for the FCC to not only consider the points of view of those with a financial interest in this issue, but also those with a social or civic interest.

Yours Sincerely,

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